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25, 27, 30, 31 and 35 without prejudice and without any intention to abandon the subject matter as filed, but with the intention that claims of the same, greater, or lesser scope may be pursued in this or a continuing application. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter is introduced by the amendment. The Specification is herein amended to recite related applications and to introduce sequence identifiers. Applicants respectfully submit that the aforementioned amendments introduce no new matter.

CONCLUSIONS

Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment prior to examination of the application on the merits. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' undersigned representative to discuss any outstanding issues.

Applicants believe that no fees are due with this submission. However, the Director is thereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due to deposit account No. 20-0531.

Respectfully submitted,

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RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 09/513,381, filed on February 25, 2000, the entire disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein. This application claims the benefit of United States Provisional Application Number 60/121,836 rentitled "Devices Comprising Immobilized Capture Probes" by Christopher P. Adams, T. Christian Boles, Lawrence Weir, Rahul K. Dhanda and Nevin Summers, filed on February 26, 11999, the entire teachings of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Figure 3D depicts the Drawings on page 6:

Figure 3D depicts the reverse sequence [SEQ ID NO: 9].

Figure 3E depicts the sequences used in the method depicted in Figure 3A. The polylinker is SEQ ID NO: 5; the -21 Primer is SEQ ID NO: 6; 6249-17ac is SEQ ID NO: 4;